

APPROVED



**SCOTTSDALE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
VERDE CONFERENCE ROOM
7575 EAST MAIN STREET
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85251
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 3005**

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: John Tutelman, Chair
Michele Culver, Vice Chair
Carol Padwe, Commissioner
Enid Seiden, Commissioner
Marty Gendron, Commissioner

ABSENT: Aubrey Strickstein, Commissioner
Ted Tyler, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: Velicia McMillan, Staff Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tutelman called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

A formal roll call confirmed members present as stated above.

PROPOSITION 200 PRESENTATION

Dr. McMillan introduced Luis Santaella with the City's Legal Department to discuss the impact of proposition 200 on public services. She passed out the minutes from the Regional Human Relations Commission Subcommittee on Day Labor meeting. At that

meeting the group discussed obtaining information on how Proposition 200 would affect day labor issues.

Luis Santaella, Assistant City Attorney City of Scottsdale, presented information concerning Proposition 200 and the impact it has on public services. He reported the Attorney General's opinion is that Proposition 200 in terms of State and local government only applies to Title 46 Programs State Welfare Programs. In the City's opinion, there are only two programs that are impacted Helping Neighbors and Utility Repair Program. He further reported that Proposition 200 does not apply to Federal benefits. He noted another component is people will now have to prove citizenship and show ID when you vote. He added he felt litigation would affect how Proposition 200 is implement in the future. He responded to questions and comments from the Commission regarding Proposition 200.

Commissioner Gendron stated it is his understanding Proposition 200 would have no impact if Scottsdale elected to establish a day labor center. Mr. Santaella replied that is correct.

DIVERSITY LEADERSHIP ALLIANCE

Commissioner Gendron reported that he attended the 2005 Diversity Leadership Alliance Kickoff meeting. He presented information on the mission and goals of the Diversity Leadership Alliance and the potential for a City of Scottsdale/SHRC sponsorship. He further reported DLA is a non-profit organization. He proposed that the Commission examine it but not make a decision tonight. He stated that he felt sponsorship would be beneficial to the city and by becoming a charter member it might put the City of Scottsdale in the position to influence what is presented at the annual conference. He responded to questions and comments from the Commission regarding the DLA.

Commissioner Gendron commented the Commission could try this for a year and if the charter membership does not give us influence or don't feel it is valuable, we don't have to return.

Commissioner Gendron stated it was suggested the DLA give a presentation at the Regional HRC meeting. Dr. McMillan reported the next Regional meeting will be held in April or May hosted by the City of Gilbert. Commissioner Gendron inquired if the Commission would like to have the DLA to make a presentation at one of their meetings. The consensus was for the DLA make a presentation at a future Scottsdale Human Relations Commission meeting.

PROMOTING UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY

Commissioner Padwe proposed expanding the Promoting Unity in the Community Program beyond the Unified Scottsdale School District, to include the Cave Creek School District. She noted the Cave Creek School District is interested in being included. She

stated she felt Cave Creek should be included because many Scottsdale residents attend school in that district. She noted that a few of the schools have been left off the list.

Dr. McMillan cautioned the Commission that the residents of Scottsdale want the money to stay in the City of Scottsdale so we need to make programs receiving services from us fall within the Scottsdale Unified School District.

Dr. McMillan inquired if the Commission wanted to divide the remaining schools on the list to deliver the materials and see if they are interested in participating.

Commissioner Padwe pointed out there are kids that live in Scottsdale who attend the Cave Creek and Paradise Valley School Districts and pay taxes to the City of Scottsdale and she felt those students should not be excluded. She noted the issue is with the crazy boundaries.

Dr. McMillan explained that this program was designed for students in Scottsdale Schools District for students that live in Scottsdale and we are not denying that there is Scottsdale residents who attend other school districts.

The consensus of the Commission was to limit the program to Scottsdale Unified School District.

Commissioner Culver volunteered to clean up the list to only include Schools in the Scottsdale Unified School District.

Dr. McMillan suggested as a way to promote the program someone could write a PSA and have someone from the Commission talk about the program.

Commissioner Gendron moved to limit the Promoting Unity in the Community program to only those schools in the Scottsdale Unified School District. Second by Commissioner Seiden.

The motion passed by a vote of four (4) to one (1) with Commission Padwe dissenting.

SCOTTSDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT SELECTION PROCESS REVIEW

Dr. McMillan suggested tabling this discussion and placing it on the next agenda.

REGIONAL UNITY WALK

Chair Tutelman stated he thought the Regional Unity Walk was a wonderful event. He further stated having the bagpiper was a great thing.

Commissioner Padwe discussed the execution of the Second Annual East Valley Unity Walk. She reported she attended the recap meeting for the walk. She further reported Tempe is very frustrated with dealing with APS.

Commissioner Seiden inquired why the walk was on the same day as the Parada del Sol. Dr. McMillan replied because the Jaycees changed the date of the parade.

Commissioner Padwe stated last year the group discussed rotating the event to another city and she volunteered Scottsdale to host the walk because we had already done all of the work on Plan B the bike path. She further stated we also talked about having the walk without the festival. She noted there was an issue with parking because of the dog show.

Commissioner Seiden stated maybe what we need to do is take out banner and T-shirts and participate in the Parada del Sol and have other people march with us and make diversity be part of the parade.

Dr. McMillan stated that APS has the festival and we have the unity walk and the two events are separate and she felt it should be a seamless environment with the walk feeding into the festival. She further stated that it takes more than two years to get an event going.

Commissioner Gendron stated the event did not receive any publicity that there was not one TV station at the event.

Commissioner Padwe stated the event is up in the air and she will report back after the next meeting.

The sentiment of the Commission was that Scottsdale would like to continue to see the Regional Unity Walk continued but consider changing the date to the middle of the month to not conflict with the Parada del Sol and FBR Open.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

Dr. Velicia McMillan provided the Commission with an update concerning the purchase and delivery of City of Scottsdale bags and a Scottsdale Human Relations Commission banner.

Commissioner Gendron suggested doing a promotional video of the Hispanic Heritage Event. Dr. McMillan noted the problem is getting the City Cable 11 people out on a weekend. Commissioner Gendron stated if there is enough advance the High Schools has a video program.

CHAIR REPORTS

Chair Tutelman provided a brief recap of the Regional HRC meeting held in Phoenix. He noted the City of Chandler did not like the PSA video. Commissioner Gendron suggested seeing if Cox Cable would run the PSA

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Commissioner Culver reported there was a special meeting of the GLBT community to discuss a State Bill that if a person passed on Aids to another person and did not tell that person they had the disease they could be held liable. The GLBT community was concerned about how the Police would conduct the investigation.

Commissioner Seiden inquired if Commissioner Tyler had met with the ADL. Dr. McMillan read an email regarding Commissioner Tyler's meeting with the members of the School District regarding the Promoting Unity in the Community program.

Commissioner Gendron stated that he learned at the unity walk that people were offended that he named his dog taco bell because it looks like the taco bell dog.

Commissioner Gendron stated that he attended a Arizona Breakfast Club meeting and there was a gentleman who passed out a offensive flier and his point of bringing this up is that he did not know this type of material was distributed in such an overt manner.

STAFF LIAISON ITEMS

Dr. McMillan passed out a revised HRC directory. She also passed out a calendar of the 2005 meetings and holidays. She reported there will be a hate crime documentary on March 16th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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